

# The POPES Pedigree:

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The Duke begat a Prince,  
 the Prince a King of hope,  
 The King begat the Emperour,  
 the Emperour got the Pope.  
 The Pope begat a Fryer,  
 the Fryer begot the Nun,  
 And so you may hear  
 how their Pedigrees begun,  
 'Tis a well twin'd wheelband,  
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The Nun she chanc'd to Lumber,  
 and laying bare her Rump,  
 The ball'd pate Fryer hob'd her,  
 and so begat a Monk,  
 The Monk begat a Daughter  
 who could both lye and huff,  
 She married to a Barrister,  
 and quickly got a Ruff.  
 So twin'd &c,

The Ruff it took good counsel,  
 good counsel got a Fee,  
 The Fee begot a Sergeant,  
 thus runs the Pedigree.  
 The Sergeant got a triple cap  
 which a good Lawyer spoil'd,  
 By getting ease and Gout,  
 he once more got a child.  
 So twin's &c.

A Dog he got a Bayliff,  
 who Cerberus like could roar,  
 And dayly hunt a bout the Town  
 to terrify the poor,  
 The Bayliff got a Turnkey,  
 the Turnkey got a Taylor,  
 Who hell-hound like do suck the blood  
 of those the Bums do hail there.  
 So twines &c,

The Taylor got an under Sheriff,  
 the under got an upper,  
 Who can fright a Country town  
 by shaking of his crupper,  
 He married to a Virgin  
 that was of some renown,  
 And plying on her briskly  
 begot a Scarlet Gown,  
 So twin'd &c.

The Gown is got a Merchant  
 who sending Ships to Sea,  
 By bringing o're uncustom'd Goods,  
 grew rich immediately,  
 He striding of a Boat Swains wife,  
 a brave Lieutenant got,  
 Who became a Captain  
 by fighting very hot,  
 So twin'd &c,

The Captain got a Collonel,  
 the Collonel he was tall,  
 And by leaping trenches  
 became a General  
 The General was eger  
 in pursuit of fame,  
 And in a little space  
 begat a dreadful name,  
 So twined &c.

And thus may you see now  
 how are since Adams time  
 The Pedigrees ran round  
 as the Wheelband did twine,  
 From the lowest to the highest  
 and then back again,  
 In continual motion  
 this Wheelband does remain,  
 So merrily twin'd the wheelband  
 the well twined wheelband,  
 By this you may plainly understand  
 the twineing of this wheelband.